

THE  
QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS  
ASSOCIATION



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## PREFACE

This booklet was prepared for the information of new members as well as old members of the Quarter Century Wireless Association. By 1960 we thought that all information about the QCWA was contained in the application form, but by 1972 it was plain that enlargement was desirable. Many questions were asked that were not covered in any of the QCWA forms, and no information on QCWA services, and chapters was delineated. Thus this manual was born of necessity and we hope will answer all questions as they pertain to QCWA.

The Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc., beginning with its initial organizations in 1947 and subsequent establishment as a non-profit membership corporation in the state of New York, is dedicated to; 1) fostering and developing friendship and co-operation among Amateur Radio Operators of more than twenty-five years standing; 2) taking general interest in all matters affecting or involving Amateur Radio, and 3) to sponsor such actions as may be deemed proper in their interest. Since its inception in 1947, QCWA has grown from the original 54 charter members, to over 5800 active members world wide and to over 61 chapters located within the United States and overseas.

EXTRACT  
QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION, INC.  
CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

Name and Purpose of the Association

Sec. 1. This Association shall be known as the QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Sec. 2. The purposes of the Association shall be:

- (a) To foster and develop friendship and co-operation among amateur wireless and radio operators of more than twenty five years' standing.
- (b) To take general interest in all matters affecting or touching amateur wireless or radio and sponsor such actions as may be deemed proper in their interests.

ARTICLE II

Membership

Sec. 1. The membership of the Association shall consist of those persons who have signed the Certificate of Incorporation, together with all persons who are hereafter received in or elected to membership as hereinafter provided.

Sec. 2. Any person is eligible for membership who submits satisfactory proof that he or she is a licensed amateur radio (wireless) operator, that he or she was licensed as such twenty five or more years ago and who, upon submitting an application, is approved by the Board of Directors, as provided in the By-Laws of the Association.

Sec. 3. The classes of membership and the fees therefor will be prescribed in the By-Laws.

Sec. 4. Any member may withdraw from the Association by presenting to the Secretary a written statement of resignation.

Sec. 5. A member may be expelled for the violation of the By-Laws of the Association or for other cause prejudicial to the best interests of the Association. Such expulsion may be effected by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors at a duly called meeting.

Sec. 6. Any resigned or expelled member forfeits all rights and/or privileges of the Association.

ARTICLE IV

Meetings

Sec. 1. The Association shall hold an annual meeting before the end of each calendar year at a time and place to be designated by the Board of Directors.

Sec. 2. The purpose of this meeting shall be the election of the Officers and Directors of the Association and such other purposes as may be necessary or proper for the conduct of the Association.

Sec. 3. Other meetings of the Association may be held throughout the year, the time and place to be designated by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VI

Amendments

Sec. 1. Amendments to this constitution may be initiated by a majority vote of the Board of Directors, or by petition submitted to the Board of Directors for their consideration by at least one hundred (100) members in good standing. Proposed amendments to the Constitution approved by the Board of Directors, shall be mailed with a ballot to all members in good standing at least twenty (20) days before the date appointed for the return of the ballot, and the ballot shall carry a statement of this time limit. Approval of the amendment by at least two-third of the members voting shall be necessary for its enactment.

Revised as of April 7, 1972.

## QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION, Inc.

### BY-LAWS

(As Revised April 7, 1972)

#### ARTICLE I

##### Membership

Sec. 1. A person eligible for membership may apply by making application in the form prescribed by the Board of Directors and submitting with application three years' dues plus an entry fee.

Sec. 2. Each application will be considered by the Board of Directors and, if approved by the Board of Directors, the applicant will be notified of his election to membership.

#### ARTICLE II

##### Dues

Sec. 1. Each applicant for membership shall remit an Entry Fee of Three Dollars (\$3.00) plus three years' dues of Seven Dollars (\$7.00), making a total of Ten Dollars (\$10.00), which shall be returned to him or her should the application not be approved.

Sec. 2. Dues shall be prepaid to the Association in the amount of Seven Dollars (\$7.00) for three years, Fourteen Dollars (\$14.00) for six years, Thirty-Five Dollars (\$35.00) for Life Membership.

Sec. 3. Any member whose dues have not been received by the Association prior to ninety days after the first of the calendar year, shall automatically cease to be a member in good standing. Such member (in default) may, at the option of the Board of Directors, be dropped from the membership rolls of the Association and shall thereupon cease to be a member of the Association.

Sec. 4. Each applicant accepted for membership shall be assigned a membership number in arithmetical sequence. This number shall not be reassigned to another member unless authorized by the Board of Directors.

Sec. 5. Applicants accepted for membership who were former members may be reassigned their original membership number, if available, upon the payment of all the back dues to date and three years in advance, or upon payment of Life Membership dues.

#### ARTICLE III

##### Board of Directors

Sec. 1. The Board of Directors shall have control of the property and affairs of the Association and shall fix its policies. They shall have power to hold meetings; appoint committees; accept new members and suspend, censure and take all necessary and proper steps to carry out the principles of this Association and promote its best interests. They may appoint a General Manager and fix his compensation.

Sec. 2. Meetings of the Board of Directors and the regular annual meetings of the Association may be held within any state of the United States as authorized by the Board of Directors.

Sec. 3. No Officer or Director shall receive remuneration for his services in any capacity.

Sec. 4. The Officers and Directors of the Association shall serve for a term of two (2) years or until their successors are duly elected.

Sec. 5. After December 31, 1967, no member may qualify for nomination to be an Officer or Director unless he shall have been a member in good standing for more than two (2) years.

#### ARTICLE VI

##### Nominations and Elections

Sec. 1. At least sixty days prior to the annual meeting each odd-numbered year, the President shall appoint a Nominating Committee subject to the approval of the Board of Directors. The report of this Committee will be submitted to the membership at least twenty (20) days prior to the annual meeting together with a ballot form. The Nominating Committee shall submit eligible candidates for President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and five Directors.

Sec. 2. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a petition may be submitted signed by one hundred (100) members in good standing to the Secretary, postmarked at least sixty (60) days prior to the annual meeting, nominating any eligible member in good standing for any office or directorship. Upon receipt of such a petition, the Secretary, upon verifying the validity of the petition, shall cause the name of the candidate to be placed on the ballot.

Sec. 3. The election of the candidates shall be by written ballot vote of a majority of the members in good standing voting before the closing of the polls. The polls shall be open not less than thirty (30) days before the date set for the regular Annual Meeting, and shall close ten (10) days before the opening date of the regular Annual Meeting.

Sec. 4. The President, with the approval of the Board of Directors shall appoint two or more members, who are not candidates, to serve as Tellers for counting the ballots. The Tellers shall certify in writing the results of the ballot count for each candidate or the matters to be decided by balloting.

Sec. 5. Each candidate shall be requested to submit in writing a brief biographical outline to the Secretary at least thirty (30) days before the date set for the opening of the polls. This brief biographical outline shall accompany the ballot mailed to each member in good standing.

Sec. 6. The Association's membership list, directories, Year Book, addressograph plates or any other membership mailing facilities shall not be sold, nor be made available to any person or organization, unless authorized by the Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE VII

##### Chapters

Sec. 1. Chapters may from time to time be formed upon approval of the Board of Directors. The requirements for a Chapter shall be as follows:-

(a) Each Chapter member must be and continue to be a member in good standing of the Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc.

(b) The Chapter must have at least ten members residing in the same geographical area.

(c) The Chapter members must be governed by the principles, Constitution and By-Laws of the Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc.

(d) Each Chapter shall elect a Chairman and Secretary who shall correspond with the Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc. and shall keep current correspondence and information with the Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc.

(e) Each Chapter may have such local business or social meetings as it wishes and for such purposes as within the spirit of the Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc.

(f) Each Chapter member of the Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc. may attend regular Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc. meetings and functions, and enjoy all the benefits and privileges of the Association.

#### ARTICLE VIII

##### Financial Obligations

Sec. 1. All obligations incurred by the Association shall be solely corporate obligations and no personal liability whatsoever shall attach to, or be incurred by, any member, Officer or Director of the Association by reason of any such corporate obligation.

Sec. 2. The President may approve expenditures of the funds of the Association up to an amount of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) during the calendar year providing that a proper accounting is subsequently made to the Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE IX

##### Amendments

Sec. 1. These By-Laws may be amended from time to time by affirmative vote of a majority of the Board of Directors at any regularly called meeting of the Board of Directors.



## MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

Requirements for membership in QCWA are: applicant must have held a federal or government Amateur license at least 25 years ago, and must, at the time of applying, hold a valid one. Proof of eligibility must be shown. The dues, payable in advance with the application are \$7.00 for three years, \$14 for six years; or \$35.00 for Life Membership. Each applicant must pay an entry fee of \$3.00 with his first dues payment. QCWA members receive a chronological numbered certificate of membership, dues and identification card, the QCWA callbook (every two years), a supply of QCWA stamps, QCWA decal and the QCWA news, which is issued quarterly.

## QCWA SERVICES

Pin or Button, gold plated with call	\$3.00
Blazer emblem QCWA logo	\$2.00
Auto QCWA decals	.25
Small QCWA logo	\$3.50
Large QCWA logo	\$4.50
500 red stamps regular members	\$1.16
500 Gold stamps Life Members	\$1.66
500 "50 years Licensed in Radio	\$1.75
Decals indicating years in ham radio, 52, 54, 56, 58, 60 and 62, are given to members holding the "50 Years Licensed in Amateur Radi" award.	
Extra insertion of second call	\$1.50

The following certificates are issued to members of QCWA; "Worked 100 QCWA Members" "Meritorious" to chapter members; Bronze plaque to winner of the QCWA QSO Party (winner of 3 QSO parties keeps the plaque) Gold Life membership certificate and ID card to life members; Regular (blue) membership certificate and ID to regular members, and "50 Years Licensed in Amateur Radio" Award.

CHAPTER BANNER: Chapters having 50 or more members on the roll will receive a banner with the chapter name thereon free.

## QCWA OBJECTIVES:

There have been questions asked by prospective members as to the objectives of QCWA and the benefits of being a member. QCWA is a direct descendent of and continues the original reasons for forming Amateur Radio Clubs, as in the early days of radio; each member wanted to further his interests, aspirations and knowledge and he brought to the club his peculiar talents and was willing to share them with others, while enjoying their friendship and company.

QCWA is similar to those radio clubs of 40 to 50 years ago. Members from all walks of life unite to further the friendship and co-operation among radio amateurs and to carry out the traditions of public service which trace back to the early 1920's. QCWA differs in one respect; however, we are now primarily a social organization and we meet at our chapter luncheons, dinners, etc., and at our yearly banquet to exchange views, ideas, and especially to continue our friendships and interests which apply specifically to Amateur Radio. QCWA offers a vehicle for keeping in touch or for renewing old friendships of years ago. Being a member of QCWA means you were a licensed ham at least 25 years ago (or more) and it offers at least three ways to bring together the "Old Timers" -

- 1 - Via the QCWA Year Book, our own mini-call book of members
- 2 - Via the Annual QSO Party
- 3 - Via the QCWA luncheons, dinners and banquets.

QCWA has perhaps one main objective. We bring together the old timers, to meet with their friends, both new and old, of similar age and amateur experience, to keep the old traditions of ham radio alive..



# QCWA CHAPTER ON THE AIR MEETINGS

CHAPTER	DAY	TIME	FREQ	NCS
Arizona	Sunday	0900	3933	K7NTG
Baltimore	Monday	2100	28650	W3EKZ
Central NY	Sunday	1030	3917	W2QZX
Caroline	Sunday	1100	7210	W2GHK
Citrus	Sunday	1000	7254	W4YPA
Ohio net	Sunday	1230	3987	-
Del Valley	Sunday	0945	3917	W2HX
Houston	Thursday	2000	3876	W5YZ
Michigan	Sunday	0800	3903	W8CAM
New England	Sunday	0845	3917	W1DJ
Northwest	Sunday	1500	3955	W7AG
Nor, Calif	Sunday	0900	3950	W6AUC
San Diego	Sunday	1000	3905	K6SQ
Suncoast	Tuesday	1600	3965	-
Tulsa	Sunday	0930	7251	W5FU
Tyler	Sunday	0800	3835	W5CNO
Wisconsin	Sunday	0900	3985	W9CTI
Swanee (Fla)	Saturday	1000	7265	W4QBR
Detroit	Sunday	0830	3663	W8THX
E. Tenn.	Tuesday	1900	3850	W4QT
Mohawk Val.	Sunday	1245	3895	K2CP
So. Cal	Sunday	0930	3917	W6FQ
Canton Ohio	Sunday	1230	3988	W8OYV

## NATIONAL QCWA NETS

Wednesdays 2000 7035(7045 alt) W2BJL NCS  
 Sunday 1600 14345 W2SF & W2AIM EastNCS  
 (all times local) W6FQ West NCS

Members are welcomed to join and participate in the activities of the QCWA chapter in their vicinity, "On-the-air" round tables and other operating events including the annual QSO party, which is usually held in February of each year. Other chapters not listed above are; Birmingham,Al; Anthracite, PA; Atlanta Ga; Chicago; Cleveland; Dayton; Joilet; Metro NYC; Mid-Continent; Gator,Fl., Oklahoma; San Antonio; Reading,Pa;Shreveport; Treasure Coast Fl; Upper Mid West; Wichita Mountain, and Gulf Coast.

## QCWA CHAPTERS

QCWA has chapters in many states and one overseas. Chapters are autonomous, elect their own officers and hold meetings usually twice a year. To start a chapter, it will be necessary to get ten members, hold a meeting to discuss election of officers, select a name for the chapter, and have agreement on number of meetings desired. At this meeting, a petition should be prepared, requesting Headquarters QCWA for a charter. All ten, or more, members must sign this petition. When completed, it is to be sent to Headquarters for Board approval. The petition can be as follows:

### PETITION FOR CHARTER                      CHAPTER

We, the undersigned, do hereby petition the QCWA to recognize and approve the            Chapter as an official chapter in good standing in the State of           . The said undersigned do hereby certify that we are members in good standing and agree to be governed by the principles of the Constitution and By-Laws of the QCWA. We have duly elected these members to be President and Secretary;                      Pres;  
                     Secretary.

Signed

                                      
President

It has been an honor and a pleasure for me to serve as your President. I have enjoyed more than I can tell you the many contacts I have had with members all across this country.

While some do not feel that calling this a social organization is completely correct and I would be inclined to agree, nevertheless, the spirit of the fellowship and closeness that goes with every meeting points up to me there is an element of social in our group and, to me, the most important thing that comes out of our association is the establishment through amateur radio of friendships that will last as long as the hand can touch a key.

I hope this little booklet will be of interest and of value to you.

I send it in that spirit.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barry Saltwater". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the call sign.

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